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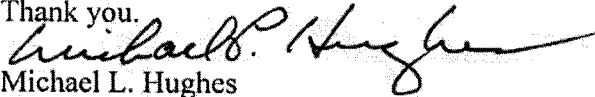
Ms. Suzanne Mooney:

Confirming our telephone conversation on November 2nd, my question relates to a potential ethical problem for a Council Member with a parish bridge repair project. The project is not an immediate life and death emergency but is a public safety issue.

The project requires the parish to obtain a temporary servitude for a detour during repairs of the bridge on property owned by an L.L.C. in which the mother of a Council Member owns a 37 ½% membership interest. The consideration for the grant is the abandonment of the old bridge timbers and the limestone or gravel used for detour to the landowner. There is no monetary consideration to be paid.

I appreciate any assistance you can give me in analyzing this situation.

Thank you.


Michael L. Hughes
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Cc: Honorable Samuel C. D'Aquilla
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